

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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Title: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TARGETED *IN VITRO* AND *IN VIVO* DRUG DELIVERY TO MAMMALIAN CELLS VIA BACTERIALLY DERIVED INTACT MINICELLS**

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 18, 2009, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this document.